GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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RESEARCH CONTRACTS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government awards research contracts to Consultants, NGOs, Academics and Research Organisations etc;

(b) if so, the details of the research contracts alongwith the names of the organisations who were awarded the research contracts during each of the last three years and its progress;

(c) whether the research contracts are shown on the website of the Ministry;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the details of internal process in deciding the topics of these research contracts;

(f) whether the research contracts awarded through a competitive bidding process;

(g) if so, the criteria adopted for the competitive bidding process; and

(h) if not, the sanctity of the award process?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b) As a measure to provide financial support, Government sanctions research projects on various textile related areas to the following eight Textile Research Associations(TRAs):-

I. Ahmedabad Textile Industry's Research Associations(ATIRA), Ahmedabad;

II. Bombay Textile Research Association(BTRA), Mumbai;

III. South India Textile Research Association(SITRA), Coimbatore;

IV. Northern India Textile Research Association(NITRA), Ghaziabad;

V. Man-made Textile Research Association(MANTRA), Surat;

VI. Synthetic & Art Silk Mills' Research Association(SASMIRA), Mumbai;

VII. Indian Jute Industries' Research Association(IJIRA), Kolkata;

VIII. Wool Research Association(WRA), Thane.

The list of research projects alonwith the name of the TRAs sanctioned during the years 2004-05 and 2006-07 is furnished in Annexure. No research project was sanctioned during 2005-06.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Research projects are sanctioned by a Committee chaired by Additional Secretary and Financial Advisor.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.

(h) Does not arise.